

INTERESTING EVENTS IN THE LOCAL SOCIAL WORLD

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Red Cross Work Room Closed Temporarily.

Red Cross activities as well as all social affairs are taboo this week, owing to precautions being taken incident to the Spanish influenza epidemic. By order of the health board, all places where crowds have been wont to congregate are closed, thus the local Red Cross work room is closed till restrictions are removed.

Woman's Clubs Hold Interesting Session

We are glad to devote space this week to the convention of Woman's Clubs representing the Northern District of our state. This idea of districting the state in the matter of Woman's Club has been a venture of but a few years—the Northern District being organized at Williams in June of 1917. At that time Mrs. T. H. Cureton was chosen chairman and later elected president of the District Federation and during the recent convention held in our city on October 2 and, presided in a most able manner. The six clubs belonging to the conference, Williams Woman's Club, Prescott Monday Club, Tuesday Afternoon Club of Kingman, Friday Culture Club of Winslow, Red Lake Woman's Club and Woman's Club of Flagstaff, were well represented by goodly delegations and the Presbyterian church, where the convention was held, was pleasantly filled at every session.

The first conference began Wednesday morning and opened with the singing of patriotic songs, Mrs. Curtis presiding at the piano. The morning was then given over to appointment of special committees and reading of various reports after which Mrs. V. M. Slipper, president of our local club, in well chosen words made the formal address of welcome to the delegation assembled. In equally sincere manner, Mrs. Cureton responded, both impressing their audience that serious consideration of problems confronting women in these present days, would be the keynote of the convention. Mrs. Williams of Williams gave some very interesting facts regarding woman's clubs and this proved particularly entertaining because of the fact that Mrs. Williams is quite an authority along these lines.

Adjournment until 2 o'clock gave a respite of a few hours, during which time the ladies renewed acquaintances of last year and formed new ones among the later clubs.

Wednesday afternoon found a much larger number in attendance and a program of fine things in store for them. The report of the treasurer was accepted showing a balance of

\$42.45 on hand.

The opening paper of the afternoon was most pertinent to women in general but to the times as well. Mrs. Hathaway of Prescott, a most worthy exponent of her theme, gave as her subject; "The effect of the present war upon woman's dress." While agreeing with Carlyle that "clothes give us individuality, distinction and social poise, yet clothes are threatening to make clothes screens of us." In the allied countries she told us a conservation dress has now been adopted from royal ladies down to the laboring classes. For service the trend in our country seems to be toward the masculine, tho this is criticized by the men who say women lose some of their charm and femininity when they don trousers.

In concluding Mrs. Hathaway wisely suggested the question of dress be decided by the women themselves and together they might create a costume that can be adapted to the individual in order that we might not live to dress but dress to live wisely and well.

Well merited applause gave two charming vocal numbers by Mrs. John Verkamp and Mrs. W. H. Porter.

"Home Economics and its part in the war," was the subject of the paper next read by Miss Parsons of Kingman. One outstanding sentence was this; "If you have given a son, brother or husband to fight, or your daughter or sister is nursing at the front; if you have subscribed for Liberty bonds and the Red Cross, or if you aid war cripples and orphans; if doing all these things you think you have done your share—know the grim truth—all the blood, all the heroism all the money and munitions in the world will not win this war unless our allies and their armies behind them are fed."

We must be prudent and protect our supplies. Are we as club women doing all we can to assist the government?

Mrs. Hume of Red Lake then told of the recent club movement in her section of Arizona. From its inception as a social organization it had grown more far-reaching and now was glad to become a member of the Northern Federation.

Mrs. Pollock, representing the Flagstaff Woman's club next read a most entertaining paper on "A war-time program for children." While claiming no originality, the writer had nevertheless assembled interesting facts concerning the response young America was making to the big things demanding their time, their heart and their soul. The Junior Red Cross, the War Garden army, the Boy Scouts are all proving, are showing Uncle Sam he can depend on them.

A high school girl's essay on saving sugar brought forth applause. "Remember this in your coffee—one lump is patriotism, two is slackness, three is desertion and four is treason," Mrs. Pollock concluded by saying,

"The patriotism of the young people of America is a guarantee of the future."

Following this was a splendid paper on the "The Girl Problem in War Time," given by Mrs. A. Sine, president of the Williams Woman's club. She said in part: "The requirements of a girl of today are the same as those in time of peace—self-respect, health, education and endurance. The only difference is, that today all work is done with military precision and thoroughness. It is a time to give our best endeavors to any work undertaken; one must have an infinite capacity for toil, also patience and quick understanding of other people's feelings. Let us guard against saying we are too busy to do a certain work or have not the time. Let us rather consider which part of our work is of most importance and do that."

This concluded the program for the afternoon session and general discussion followed the presentation of the work of the U. S. War Department in connection with the health of the men in military service. This was given in brief review of Dr. Marian Williams of Phoenix.

In the evening at 7:30, a brief informal reception was tendered the visiting delegation by the Flagstaff club. At the call to order it was found many Flagstaff people had availed themselves of the opportunity to hear the well prepared talks of the evening session.

The opening number was a solo by Flagstaff's sweet singer, Miss Verna Metcalf, accompanied by Miss Jensen on the piano, Miss Lightbourne playing the violin obligato.

The District Federation then was entertained by a brief talk along club lines by the president of the state federation, Mrs. H. A. Guild of Phoenix. The administration of the state federation and its important work was the central thought of her well prepared talk and Flagstaff may well be elated to have had so prominent a club woman present on this occasion. Miss Bigger of Williams delighted her audience with a vocal solo and most graciously responded to an encore a melodious lullaby.

The work of the Y. W. C. A. was next most ably presented by Miss Harriet Bromley of Phoenix. By her vivacious manner she easily held her audience interested in this great war time work and proved conclusively that the cause should be one very near and dear to our hearts. Miss Bromley told of various personal experiences in cantonments where the Y. W. C. A. are doing such splendid work. Occupying the platform for the remainder of the evening was Madam Horta of Belgium and every word of her splendid talk sank deep within the hearts of her listeners. Moments of intense interest were felt as Madam Horta described graphically the needs of stricken Belgium since the Hun has carried out too well his program of devastation and destruction.

Madam Horta speaks in the interest of the C. R. B. committee for relief in Belgium, the only authorized organization to carry on this work in the occupied territory.

Mr. Alex Johnston and Mrs. John Verkamp gave a pleasing vocal number which concluded the evening's program.

Thursday morning found the club women assembled for the closing session of the convention. Patriotic songs again were heartily sung, after which Mrs. C. O. Lampland presented a paper of great merit upon "The Reconstruction Period After the War and the Changed Condition of Women."

Prefacing her paper with the fact that any idea of such conditions was but in the nature of a prophesy, Mrs. Lampland went on to state that the people of Europe were spending more in preparation for war than they spent on the health of the people, on sanitation, on education, on schools and universities, on insurance for workers, on medical dispensaries, on every kind of scheme for improving housing, the conditions of labor or the social conditions of the different peoples.

The startling fact was made plain that this same sum might have abolished all the slums of Europe; doubled the shipping of the world; built new railways around the world and raised the standard of life and comfort for every worker in Europe in a few years' time. After the war new experiences will be met and the change effected by the war will not be so much in men's heads as in their hearts and feelings.

While we think now of the losses of war, there is yet another side—the gain will be that new spirit in America—a spirit of unity—a deeper insight into the problems of a striving people.

Mrs. Lampland closed her paper by giving Lloyd George's message to the Interallied Woman's Congress, which met in Paris: "Well done! Carry on! You are helping to create a new earth for ourselves and for your children."

Mrs. Timmerhoff of Prescott was not present to read her very excellent paper on "The Woman's Club, a Strong Arm of the Red Cross," but Mrs. Murphy presented it, and every club woman present felt glad she had a part in the big work. Mrs. C. L. Lewis of Kingman then entertained the convention with "Some Good Things That Will Come out of the War." Mrs. Lewis is an enthusiastic club woman and sees a vision well calculated to inspire individual members to their best efforts.

Resolutions were read thanking the local president and the Flagstaff club for hospitality extended, and the meeting adjourned to meet in Prescott, in October, 1919.

Flagstaff ladies then invited the convention to be their guests at a picnic at the pre-historic Cliff Dwellings, to which they motored and found awaiting them a most appetizing feast of good things. Many of the visitors took this opportunity to go down into the cliffs and inspect this beauty spot of which Flagstaff is so justly proud. At four, the party returned to the city and the convention, so helpful and inspirational to all, was at a close, the visiting delegates leaving that evening.

Meetings of the Woman's Club have been discontinued on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza.

CONGRESS CONTROLLED BY SOUTHERN STATES

Northern and Western Democrats Stand Small Show Under Present Rule.

The South controls the Democratic party. The Democratic party controls Congress. Therefore, the South controls the nation in practically all of its important legislation, as it also controls the nation in practically all of its administration in the present war. These facts receive renewed attention now on the eve of the coming congressional elections. They seem to be worth reiteration and a little detailed study.

To understand the sectionalism that prevails in the assignment of the chairmanship of committees of both Houses of Congress under a Democratic administration, the basic facts must be first considered. Of the 52 Democrats in the Senate (there are 44 Republicans), 30 represent the so-called "solid South" and eight others were born in the South, so that in the Senate there are 38 Democrats who are sympathetic and responsive to Southern interests.

Of the 75 committees of the Senate, about one-third are useless and practically do not function at all. Of the 21 chairmanships assigned to Republicans all of them belong to this list. None of them are any importance.

Nearly every important committee in the Senate has a Southern Democrat for its chairman. Among these are the committees on appropriations, commerce, District of Columbia, finance, immigration, interoceanic canals, interstate commerce, judiciary, manufacturers, naval affairs, postoffices and post roads, as well as another committee which is at any crisis in the parliamentary affairs of the Senate the most important of all—the committee on rules, of which Lee Overman, a Democrat of North Carolina, is chairman.

An analysis of these chairmanship assignments shows that for the most part Senators from Southern states are holding a monopoly of the direction of practically all important national policies and all legislation affecting the activities of the nation. They direct the raising of revenues, appropriation of money, control of finance and banking, shipping, education and labor, agriculture and immigration, canals, railroads and other forms of transportation, army, navy, public health and other national affairs.

When Northern and Western Democratic Senators have been given chairmanships, with only two notable exceptions, the business has been peculiarly local to their sections. For instance, Senator Ashurst of Arizona has been given Indian affairs, Senator Phelan of California, irrigation and reclamation, a peculiarly Western affair, and Senator Henderson of Nevada has mines and mining, also largely a Western affair.

In the House of Representatives sectionalism and Southern domination is even more pronounced than in the Senate.

There are 61 House committees and the chairman of 42 of them is a Southern Democrat. Democrats from the North and West, representing 31 different states, have been allotted only 21 chairmanships—and these are of a minor character. In other words, Northern Democrats representing two-thirds of the states in the Union and even a much greater proportion of the population, wealth, industrial, agricultural and business interests, are cut off with only one-third of the chairmanships in the House of Representatives.

Even the chairmanships allotted to the Southern Democrats are a very "close corporation." Out of 61 House chairmanships, 34, or over half of them, are kept within the Democratic membership from nine Southern states.

Never in the history of this republic has the power of determining national policies ever been concentrated in the hands of a few men or so monopolized by a handful of states. It unpleasantly reminds one of the manner in which, by similar methods, the state of Prussia is able to dictate to the entire German empire, regardless of the will or wishes of interests of the other states of Germany.

The feeling and attitude on this subject of the Southern Democrats was expressed by Representative Whit Martin of Louisiana on April 25 last when Speaker Clark was considering being appointed to the vacant Missouri senatorship. In the New Orleans item on that date Representative

State Visitors Appreciate Entertainment by Local Woman's Club.

The second annual meeting of the Northern Arizona District Federation has brought an inspiration to all who have attended:

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That all the sincere thanks and appreciation of this federation are due the ladies of Flagstaff for the very efficient manner in which the arrangements have been perfected.

We especially appreciate the effort of Mrs. Slipper, president of the Woman's Club of Flagstaff, and her committee on arrangements and decoration, the committee on music, who gave us several delightful treats for the soul, and the reception committee, which met us at the train and has been looking after the comforts of the guests, and for each individual members, who extended gracious hospitality at the convention and in her own home.

Be It Further Resolved, That our appreciation be extended to the management of the Lowell Observatory, who extended to the delegates the opportunity of visiting their place—and to the Presbyterian Board of Flagstaff for the use of their building.

Be It Resolved, That we deeply appreciate the rare pleasure of hearing the message brought by Dr. Williams of Phoenix, Miss Harriet Bromley, Phoenix Y. W. C. A.; Madam Horta, Belgium; Mrs. H. A. Guild of Phoenix, our state president.

PRESS COMMITTEE.

Martin declared that Speaker Clark should not resign his place in the lower House. He said: "It would virtually disorganize the House. Clark's probable successor as Speaker would be Claude Kitchin, and while Kitchin of North Carolina is chairman of ways and means, we have a southern man in charge of the tariff. Then if Kitchin succeeds Champ Clark as Speaker, Kitchin's probable successor of chairman of ways and means would be Henry T. Rainey of Illinois. I am not reflecting on Representative Rainey, but that means a Northern man controlling the tariff."

Speaker Clark did not resign, although the Republicans in the House had assured him that no attempt would be made to displace the Democratic organization or to elect in his stead a Republican speaker. The fear existing at that time, and which is evidently an ever present fear, was not only and chiefly concerning Republican control, but was more especially directed at the possibility of Northern control, either Democratic or Republican.

INSPECTORS ON TRAIL OF SUGAR SLACKERS

Three hundred and thirty-seven inspectors and other volunteer officials of the food administrators are on the trail of the sugar slacker in Arizona.

The sugar slacker, if you please, is the gentleman who carries an envelope filled with sugar which he quietly slips out of an inside pocket when his tea or coffee is served. As a rule, sad to relate, he wears a Liberty Bond button and talks vehemently against any thought of making peace.

Or mayhap, the sugar slacker is a woman with a service star pinned to her breast. She is longing for the safe home-coming of a dear one "over there," while at the same time she is helping to deprive him of the sugar, which he as a fighter is entitled to, and to which she is not.

Sugar slackers may be divided roughly into two groups. One is composed of selfish individuals who do not ponder over the patriotic or economic reasons for a food administration or sugar regulations. The other group is composed of thoughtless persons who do not realize their unpatriotic atti-

tude in taking an extra allowance of sugar.

But of whichever class, the sugar slackers have a nice large surprise in store for them, in which legal documents and publicity will play leading parts.

Buy and keep Liberty Bonds.

SOLDIERS' CORNER

ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT OUR BOYS OVER HERE AND "OVER THERE"

C. C. Compton has received word from his son, Will Compton, that he has safely arrived across the seas and is feeling fit to do his bit, and he likes the Huns—außer nit.

Will Make Historical Photos.

Emery C. Kolb, one of the famous Kolb brothers who negotiated the Colorado river through the Grand Canyon in small boats, has been appointed a first lieutenant in the Signal Corps, photograph division, and has been ordered to Washington from Grand Canyon for duty. Lieut. Kolb will do photographic work at the front, not for combat service, but of secure actual photos of the great battles and battlefields for historical purposes.

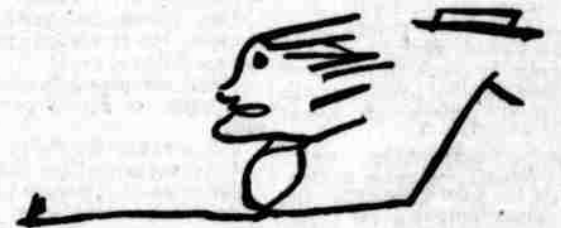
Lee Fair has reached France, according to a card received by his father, R. Fair, last week. Leigh was with the last contingent who went to Camp Cody and from there was transferred to Camp Dix. Col. Geo. Hockderffer went to Camp Dix to see his son, Corp. Geo. Hockderffer, and writes that the 133rd Regiment was just marching out at that time.

William Gavin has entered the officers' training camp at the University of St. Louis.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

For Rent—For the winter, 3-room house, cheap. Chas. H. Adams.

For Rent—Two houses. Mrs. Gavin.



The sombre days are coming
And Boreas is due,
And wool, at 16 bones a cord
Besides the Spanish Flu.

But Finley has the stove you want,
To make your joy cup full
We have the best of underwear,
Made of the purest wool.

Some people have to travel, some love to travel and some travel by order of the sheriff. Now we are fixed for all travelers. We have Suit Cases, Trunks, Travel Bags, and Gunny Sacks. We have used all kinds of baggage but hand cuffs and we have just what you want.

When the winter comes, you will want to sit by the fire and tell how it happened. Well, that's us we have the finest, niftiest line of Rockers, Davenport, and Comfy homelike things you ever saw at a price 20 below zero.

Say, here's a few snaps. We have the best ranch in Cocobolo county, for sale cheap. Owner got to sell. Gone crazy.

All furniture of a lovely 5-room house at your price—not ours. We lead the market on shoes.

And when it comes to Blankets, Quilts and Sheets. Well phone 145, and you will land in the Elysium of the bargain hunter, at

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